Handing over the internet to corporations?

Here are some example of what happens or would happen if the following services were privatized.

Schooling - If schooling if fully privatized, meaning no gov't money and regulation, then this would be a truely stupid country because the people on the bottom would not have a shot. I myself went to public school, and from that, now i attend a school in the top 100 in the USA. I was not even born here, but have my citizenship and have been living here longer than I was in my country of origin.

Library - I would not be able to obtain copies of various books due to the fact that you would have to rent books and that not all titles would be available. I would not have access to a statewide network of resources that would allow me to self teach myself on how to program.

Police - Various factions and warlord would arise, and you would need to purchase a protection license from a precinct before traveling to that area of the city. Also, dont forget that this private police abusing people would never be brought to justice. Eventually, one of these corporate factions would grow to large and overthrow the gov't.

Fire Dept - You would only be able to get assistance from the fire dept faction you subscribe to. The one closer to your house would obviously be MORE expensive, and people who cant pay would be allowed to have their home burnt to the ground.

Medical - Three tiered service. PPO - always get the best care, nearly any doctor, and every operation approved. HMO - will only get SOME NECESSARY operations approved, others operation and treatments will be refused and patients will die, even though they could of been saved if they had top tier PPO. NO INSURANCE - Patients will be treated selectively at best, anything serious or even mild, and they will be thrown out into the gutter like yesterdays trash........ OOOOOOOOOOOPPPPPS !!!!, USA already has this and is rated now 41 on the scale of health care. Only country in the western world where the little guy starting out is sentenced to death even before he gets sick. Not to mention having the worst health record of the western world, since turkey is in the east.

Mail service - You would no longer have gov't fines on mail. A mail faction could choose what kind of mail to deliver and what mail not to deliver. For example, if comcast had bought mail service in my area, any junk mail containing directv and dish network advertisements would be screened out, and if I did subscribe to directv service or dish network service, their bills would arrive extra slow at my house guaranteeing disconnects of service due to late payments, not to mention lost bill.....It would be disastrous if WAMU owned the mail service in my area and I had my mortgage with lasalle bank, i would probably be foreclosed on, since they would think im not paying my mortgage and only

claiming lost mail.

Internet service - As mentioned before, people will not be able to speak their minds on such places as blogs and youtube, because freedom of speech would no longer exist due to the fact that the tel/cable co would be in charge of what a customer can or cannot say and do.
For example: If i want get and1 hosting, i cant due to the fact that its not accessible or slow and i would have to get ATT branded hosting.
I cant post anything on youtube because users are no longer on youtube. I can only access something called ATTube and post video only of how much i love att.
I can no longer buy a vonage box, buecause i have to purchase ATT service.
I can no longer use my universities unix/linux server, or access my own due to the fact that now the only service i can access is my ftp account from ATT, which does not allow me to use the full features of unix.
Or MSN-DSL not allowing me to download anything with the words apple, or linux in it.

As you can see the problem. The internet is a free place. The problem is that there is not enough gov't involvement in strengthening our digital backbone, but we do seem to be spending more money fighting wars overseas helping hallibourton find and even sieze oil.

I am also including my experiences in HS with bess proxy and websense. Legitimate resources were blocked, and turn around time was so horrible, that i literally, gave up and accessed the data either from a ssl-proxy, bypassing the school's filtering or by getting it at home. I also have a car modification forum that I run with a few friends and that would be jeopardized because now I would have to use something like Comcast vehicles or somesuch, completely taking away my forum's image and its uniqueness.

I also do odd jobs for computer programming/consulting to make some money on craig's list. If a site like that were slowed, limited or blocked, then craig's fees would rise, then we would have to raise our costs, and people would eventually stop using craig's list, completely shutting out everyone thats starting up and building their resume/portfolio with REAL jobs, that we can post on our own web pages[that would probably be eliminated too] so that employers would have the ability to hire the best versus hiring the haves and the have-nots of money.

There are those who feel that the internet is the last freedom. Where rules are loose, and everybody can speak their mind. And as you know, most of the people that want network neutrality are those in the technical field, many of us may be crazy enough to drive a remote controlled vehicle[like in mythbusters] into a gov't building responsible for such anti-freedoms or a central office of a telecom/cable provider. And these people would not be terrorists, they would be known as freedom fighters, fighting for the last freedom available in a country where freedom is supposed to be

everywhere.

If you deregulate the internet, you are really barking up the tree that has violent revolution and coup written all over it.
Revolutions generally happen when people are pushed too far, and taking away the ONLY freedom that actually fulfills the constitution and keeps the public quiet and inline.